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FOLLOWING REPEAT GEORGETOWN 204 ACTION SECSTATE INFO
BRASILIA PORT OF SPAIN MOSCOW 30 JANUARY 76.

QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-2 (IMPTODET)

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SUBJECT: RUSSIAN'S REQUEST ACCREDITATION OF RESIDENT AMBASSADOR

1. A HIGH LEVEL FONOFF OFFICIAL TOLD DCM JANUARY 28 THAT RUSSIANS HAD REQUESTED ACCREDITATION FOR RESIDENT AMBASSADOR. RUSSIAN EMBASSY PRESENTLY HEADED BY CHARGE, WITH NON-RESIDENT RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR TO BRASILIA ACCREDITED HERE.) OFFICIAL WOULD NOT GIVE NAME, BUT SAID AMBASSADORIAL NOMINEE WAS BORN 1930. HE ADDED THAT REQUEST HAD JUST BEEN MADE AND THAT PM BURNHAM NOT YET INFORMED. HE PRESUMED THAT REQUEST WOULD BE GRANTED, THOUGH HE BELIEVED IT WOULD REQUIRE EITHER MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT LIMITING USSR TO MAXIMUM OF SEVEN RESIDENT PERSONNEL ON DIPLOMATIC LIST OR SHIFT OF ONE OF PRESENT RESIDENT DIPLOMATS TO NON-DIPLOMATIC STAFF STATUS.

2. NEW HIGHER RANKING CHARGE (MINISTER-COUNSELLOR) VLADIMIR D.
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YUDINTSEV ARRIVED ONLY MONTH OR TWO AGO, REPLACING FORMER CHARGE

AND COUNSELLOR VICTOR TKATCHENKO, WHO ALSO REMAINS AT POST.
RUSSIANS ARE OVBVIOUSLY CONTINUING TO UPGRADE AND INCREASE
REPRESENTATION HERE AS GUYANA MOVES MORE INTO THEIR AND CUBANS' CAMP.
OFFICIAL CONFIRMED THAT LIMITATION OF SEVEN DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL
APPLIES ONLY TO RUSSIANS AND CHINESE, AND NOT TO CUBANS. HE
LAUGHINGLY NOTED THAT CUBANS ALREADY HAD MORE THAN THAT NUMBER
HERE BY THE TIME THEIR EMBASSY OPENED AND NUMBER OF CUBAN
DIPLOMATIC OFFICERS HAS INCREASED SINCE
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